

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: | § | |
| Dutta et al. | § | |
| | § | Group Art Unit: 2128 |
| Serial No.: 10/016,437 | § | |
| | § | Examiner: Hugh M. Jones |
| Confirmation No.: 5333 | § | |
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| For: Method For Shallow Water Flow | § | Atty. Dkt. No. 594-25576 |
| Detection | § | (WGEC0055) |
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 21, 2009

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2009, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 23, 2009. Please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-3882/WGEC0055, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.